



**U.S. Customs and  
Border Protection**

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Reference: CBP-2018-000169; LA-FOIA-17-010

Mr. Chad Mohler  
Material Supply Chain Planner  
Global Quality Ingredients  
Natural American Foods

Dear Mr. Mohler:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to this office, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Los Angeles Laboratory that was received on September 8, 2017 requesting a copy of the basic lab summary for Entry CWL-1107941-6. We performed a search of our records and found 4 records for Entry CWL-1107941-6.

After reviewing the laboratory reports, the reports are provided with certain information redacted pursuant to the exemptions listed: Exemption (b) (2) of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b) (2), pertains to purely internal agency practices; Exemption (b) (6) of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b) (6), pertains to information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of third parties; and Exemption (b)(7)(C) of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(7)(C), pertains to records compiled for law enforcement purposes, the release of which could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of third parties, in some instances by revealing the investigative interest in them.

The samples under Entry CWL-1107941-6 were forwarded to CBP Savannah Laboratory for further testing. They have been informed of your request. Their official reports have also been supplied.

There will be no charge for these official reports.

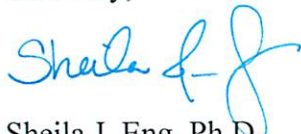
After reviewing the supplied records, you may request for copies of all supporting laboratory documentation of these 4 reports. Please let us know. We will advise you of estimated charges for records in accordance with the DHS FOIA regulations outlined on the DHS website. By submitting your request, you will have agreed to pay up to \$25.00 in applicable processing fees, if any fees associated with your request exceed this amount, CBP shall contact you; however, the first 100 pages are free.

Should you wish to do so, you must send your appeal and a copy of this letter, within 60 days of the date of this letter, to: FOIA Appeals, Policy and Litigation Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 90 K Street, NE, 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20229-1177, following the procedures outlined in the DHS regulations at Title 6 C.F.R. § 5.9. Your envelope and letter should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Copies of the FOIA and DHS regulations are available at [www.dhs.gov/foia](http://www.dhs.gov/foia).

The Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) also mediates disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. If you are requesting access to your own records (which is considered a Privacy Act request), you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974. If you wish to contact OGIS, you may email them at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov) or call (877) 684-6448.

Please notate file number CBP-2018-00169 on any future correspondence to CBP related to this request under Entry CWL-1107941-6. The CBP FOIA office has requested that you direct all future official requests for CBP information, including laboratory reports, to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) page. For more information, go to [www.cbp.gov/site-policy-notice/foia](http://www.cbp.gov/site-policy-notice/foia) for more information or simply click on Select Submit a FOIA Request Online.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sheila J. Eng".

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